

Tonto National Monument Junior Web Ranger Questions

- 1) Who lived in the cliff dwellings at Tonto National Monument? When did they live there?
- 2) What is the name of the lake that covers the land the Salado used for farming?
- 3) Were the caves used by the Salado natural, or did they have to dig them out?
- 4) What does the word "Salado" mean? Why did archeologists give them this name?
- 5) Who is nearby Roosevelt Dam named after?
- 6) What desert plants other than cacti have spines?
- 7) Do any amphibians live at Tonto National Monument? If so, what are they?
- 8) Is it true that only poisonous snakes live at Tonto National Monument? What other kinds of reptiles can you find here?
- 9) What kinds of clothing did the Salado women wear? What did the men wear?
- 10) Can you find running water anywhere in Tonto National Monument?

- 11) Name three plants and three animals that the Salado would have eaten.
- 12) Does it ever rain in the Sonoran Desert? When?
- 13) What materials were used to build the cliff dwellings? Are any of them used in your house?
- 14) Do people or animals use cacti? What are they used for?
- 15) Do cacti have to live in a desert?
- 16) The fruit of the prickly pear cactus has the same name as a kind of fish. What is it?
- 17) What kinds of weapons did the Salado use?
- 18) Doorways in the cliff dwelling are very small. Was this because the people were so short, or was there another reason?
- 19) What sorts of things did the Salado use for jewelry? Was it all found in the area, or was it brought in as trade items?
- 20) How is your life different from the Salado? Are there some things that are the same?